

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**
Elsa JOLIMAITRE et al. : Examiner: Unassigned
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For: **PROCESS FOR SEPARATING MULTIBRANCHED PARAFFINS USING A ZEOLITIC ADSORBENT WITH A MIXED STRUCTURE**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicants wish to amend the above-identified application as indicated below:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please delete the existing abstract and replace with the attached Abstract of the Disclosure.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 3-18 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

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- 19. A separation process according to claim 1, wherein said zeolitic adsorbent is a zeolite with structure type EUO.

20. A separation process according to claim 1, wherein said zeolitic adsorbent is a zeolite with structure type NES.